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TOPIC Puetnitz Airfield

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REMARKS

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1. About 9:45 a.m. on 8 February 1954, seven MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s fitted with auxiliary fuel tanks took off at short intervals from Puetnitz airfield. Three of the aircraft flew individually, while the remaining four assembled in formation for a flight of about 20 minutes duration. In the afternoon on 12 February, swept-back jet fighters practiced flying. The weather was overcast. After 5 p.m. on 16 February, several MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s were observed taking off.

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3. In the afternoon on 15 February, individual swept-back jet fighters practiced flying. After 5 p.m. on 16 February, swept-back jet fighters took off for individual flights. Although the weather was deteriorating, air activity continued until about midnight. Throughout the day on 23 February, individual flights and acrobatics were made at high altitudes.

Comment. Two fighter regiments equipped with about 45 MiG-15s and the headquarters of a fighter division are believed to be stationed at Puetnitz airfield.

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